



Dr. Bonnie Crouthamel Receives Medical Degree

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Dr. Bonnie Catherine Crouthamel, daughter of John and Vera Crouthamel of Chatham Borough received her M.D. degree from Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, Bronx, NY at the 55th commencement ceremony held at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall on Wednesday, May 29, 2013, graduating "with distinction" receiving the Dean's Recognition Award.



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Prior to her graduation, Dr. Crouthamel participated in many international medicine programs including Amazon Promise, a nonprofit organization providing medical and educational care to remote and poverty stricken residents of the jungle city of Iquitos and neighboring Belen, Peru, making a point of reaching the most makeshift and hard to reach neighborhoods. She spent time in Guatemala doing research, and also had the opportunity in Costa Rica to work with the infamous social activist, medical doctor, and clown, Dr Patch Adams, who believes that laughter, joy, and creativity are an integral part of the healing process and must be incorporated in medical practice. In 2012, Bonnie continued to pursue her interest in women's health issues by volunteering with Doctors for Global Health, doing field work for seven months in El Salvador. She also spent two months in Uganda at an Einstein hospital.

A graduate of St. Patrick's grammar school and Chatham High School, Dr. Crouthamel earned her BA at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA. She will begin her OBGYN residency at the University of Washington, Seattle.

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